Date: July 16, 2020

To: All Providers offering Electrical Continued Education – (All license types)

From: Larry Vallieres, Chairman Electrical Work Examining Board

Subject: Summary of Changes to only 2020 Continued Education/License Renewals due to COVID-19

The continued education programs for all electrical license holders have been impacted by the COVID-19 virus. As such we have had to make some temporary modifications to these programs. Below is a summary/clarification of those modifications that are in effect immediately.

- 1. Classes as originally approved for physically in person classroom instruction are to continue and are subject to the following:
 - a. All previously approved venue locations and any new proposed locations that you intend to use, must follow all DECD requirements including but not limited to social distancing, health monitoring, cleaning and sanitizing, and occupancy.
 - b. All previously approved venue locations and any new proposed locations that you intend to use must be certified by DECD through their self-certification program.
 - c. In accordance with the Governors Executive Order 7GGG dated 7/13/2020, the deadline to complete electrical continued education has been extended until the last day of the calendar year. (December 31, 2020)
 - d. The date for renewal of licenses remains unchanged.
 - e. The Department of Consumer Protection will be modifying the question asked during license renewal as it relates to if the license holder has completed the required continued education, so as to reflect the time extension until the last day of the calendar year. (December 31, 2020)
 - f. There will not be any penalty or fines issued for continued education classes taken between the license renewal date and that of the end of the calendar year. (December 31, 2020)
- 2. (NEW) In accordance with the Governors Executive Order 7EEE dated 6/30/2020, Electrical Continued Education Courses may in addition to in person classroom classes, be offered on-line as interactive on line continued education classes subject to the following:
 - a. All proposed on line classes must be approved by the Commissioner of the Department of Consumer Protection or designee.
 - b. All proposed on line classes must conform to the document titled "INSTRUCTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS FOR APPROVED PROVIDERS REQUESTING TEMPORARY APPROVAL OF AN ON LINE VIRTUAL-LIVE-INTERACTIVE CLASSROOM" dated May 8, 2020.
 - c. In accordance with the Governors Executive Order 7GGG dated 7/13/2020, the deadline to complete electrical continued education has been extended until the last day of the calendar year. (December 31, 2020)
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- 3. Since many of the previously approved providers have elected to use a power point presentation as prepared by AIEI, we would like to provide you with the following informational note. We would also suggest that you confirm for your own protection that <u>any previously granted copyright permissions may be used in an on-line format.</u>
 "Informational Only" --- It has been brought to our attention that IAEI requires separate copyright approval for on line classes if that is the power point that you intend to use. Please make sure that you comply with <u>all copyright laws</u>.
- 4. Should a provider elect to not utilize a previously approved power point presentation because of copyright issues, the provider may utilize a power point presentation that is substantially equal in content to that which was approved and indicate this change upon applying for on line presentation permission, by submitting written proof of copyright approval for such intended use. A copy of such power point may be requested prior to approval.

Should you have any questions or need any clarifications, please feel free to contact me.